

NO SINGLE  
SUPPLEMENT  
for Solo  
Travelers

RIVER JOURNEY

# Holiday Markets Cruise

## The Festive Rhine River Basel to Düsseldorf

### Inspiring Moments

- ▶ Relax on deck as the **river's glorious scenery unfolds around you**, vistas of clifftop castles, medieval villages and forested hills.
- ▶ Be immersed in the **joyful spirit of the holiday markets** amid festive music, fragrant aromas and colorful pageantry.
- ▶ Enjoy an **exclusive musical treat** in Heidelberg's romantic old town.
- ▶ Delight in the quaint timbered houses and cobbled streets of Grande Île, the **historic heart of Strasbourg**.
- ▶ Gaze upward in awe at the soaring spires of **Cologne Cathedral**.
- ▶ Experience four **UNESCO World Heritage sites**.

### Included Features

#### Accommodations (with baggage handling)

- Unpack once and cruise for **7 nights** aboard the **exclusively chartered**, first-class MS Amadeus Silver III.

#### Extensive Meal Program

- 7 breakfasts, 6 lunches and 7 dinners, including Welcome and Farewell Dinners; tea or coffee with all meals, plus wine, beer or soft drinks with lunch and dinner.
- Opportunities to sample local cuisine.

#### Your One-of-a-Kind Journey

- **AHI Travel Assurance** plan covers Accident and Sickness Medical Expense, Trip Delay and Emergency Evacuation for U.S. residents.
- **Discovery excursions** and **PYJ | Personalize Your Journey** highlight the local culture, heritage and history.
- Expert-led **Enrichment programs** enhance your insight into the region.
- **AHI Connects:** Local immersion.
- **Free time** to pursue your individual interests.
- Welcome and Farewell Receptions to mingle with fellow travelers.
- **AHI Sustainability Promise:** We strive to make a positive impact wherever we travel.
- A personal VOX headset to hear your English-speaking guide clearly.
- Tipping of guides and drivers.
- Complimentary travel mementos.



### Itinerary

- Day 1** Depart gateway city ✈
- Day 2** Arrive in Zürich and transfer ➡ to the ship in Basel
- Day 3** Breisach | Freiburg
- Day 4** Strasbourg
- Day 5** Mannheim | Heidelberg
- Day 6** Rudesheim | Rhine Gorge | Cologne
- Day 7** Cologne
- Day 8** Düsseldorf
- Day 9** Disembark ship | Transfer ➡ to Düsseldorf airport and depart for gateway city ✈

Flights ✈ and transfers ➡ provided for AHI FlexAir participants.

**Note:** Itinerary may change due to local conditions.

### ALUMNI CAMPUS ABROAD®



Above left: Heidelberg | Above: Traditional ornaments





**Discovery**

**AHI Connects: Musical Show.**

In Heidelberg, attend an exclusive event at the elegant Palais Prinz Carl, featuring the stirring sounds of a professional trio who will perform an entertaining mix of holiday songs, arias and contemporary pieces.

**Holiday Markets.** Relish the warm holiday cheer as you explore festive wooden villages brightly trimmed with fresh pine boughs, red ribbons and twinkling lights that spring up in town squares across Europe during Advent.

**Freiburg.** Delight in a guided stroll through the historic center of this vibrant university city. See the 13th-century cathedral, the bright-red, turreted Merchants' Hall and other landmarks. Then visit the colorful Christkindlmarkt, where marzipan and chestnuts are popular holiday treats.

**Heidelberg Castle and Town.** Visit the red-walled, hillside castle, noted for its giant 18th-century wine cask, and take in scenic views of the Neckar River valley and town below. Then walk through Heidelberg's charming old town with your guide and savor traditional German dishes for lunch.

**Rhine Gorge.** Sail amid the Rhine's most stunning scenery in the Upper Middle Rhine Valley, a gently curving, 40-mile stretch lined with more than 40 castles and fortress ruins.

**Glühwein Party.** Sample this tantalizing, hot, spiced holiday wine on the ship.

**Cologne.** On a guided old town walk, gaze up at the cathedral's impressive façade and admire the decorative details inside. Enjoy free time at the holiday market outside.

**PYJ | A choice of unique excursions:**

**Breisach**

Riquewahr and Wines of the Alsace | Colmar Markets

**Strasbourg**

Strasbourg Panoramic Tour | Culinary Strasbourg

**Rüdesheim**

Rüdesheim Tour | Rhine Wine Tasting

**Düsseldorf**

Düsseldorf and Holiday Markets | Aachen, City of Emperor Charlemagne

**EXTEND YOUR STAY**

<b>Interlaken</b>	2 Nights	Pre-Trip
<b>Berlin</b>	3 Nights	Post-Trip

{At an additional cost. See website for details.}

**Enrichment**

► **German Holiday Traditions**

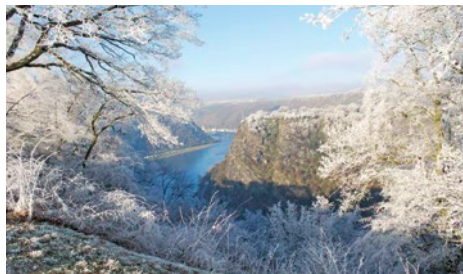
► **Castles and Legends of the Rhine**

**UNESCO World Heritage**

1. **Strasbourg, Grande-Île and Neustadt**
2. **Upper Middle Rhine Valley**
3. **Cologne Cathedral**
4. **Aachen Cathedral**



Strasbourg



Upper Middle Rhine Valley



Aachen Cathedral

**Accommodations**

**MS Amadeus Silver III**

**Activity Level:** We have rated all of our excursions with activity levels to help you assess this program's physical expectations. Please call or visit our website for full details.



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Cologne Cathedral and market

**AHI Travel Expertise**

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Glühwein